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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

L.D. 1576
(Filing No. H-506)

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "E" to H.P. 1411,
L.D. 1576, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Periodic Justification of
Departments and Agencies of State Government under the Maine
Sunset Law."

Amend the Amendment by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

'Amend the Bill in Part A in section 91 by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Inspectors appointed under this section may throughout the State investigate violations, serve summons and serve all processes to enforce the provisions of chapter 5, subchapter III-A, and chapter 21.'

Further amend the Bill in Part A by striking out all of sections 97 and 98 and sections 103 to 107.

Further amend the Bill in Part A by striking out all of section 108 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 108. 29 MRSA §2511, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 464, §5, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

The Commissioner of Public Safety may appoint employees to inspect inspection stations, process applications for inspector certificates, inspect school buses, investigate violations, serve summons and perform other assigned duties to enforce the provisions of section 2017 and the statutory provisions of this chapter governing official inspection stations.'

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Further amend the Bill in Part A by striking out all of sections 109 to 116.

Further amend the Bill in Part A by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Further amend the Bill in Part B under the caption "Department of Public Safety" by striking out all of that part relating to "State Police" and inserting in its place the following:

'State Police

All Other

(\$33,243) (\$32,558)

Eliminates the General Fund share of the cost of the motor vehicle inspection station program.'

Further amend the Bill in Part C by striking out all of that part relating to "Department of Public Safety" and inserting in its place the following:

'Department of Public Safety

Public Safety - Motor Vehicle Inspections

Unallocated (\$39,956) (\$54,045)

Eliminates 5 trooper positions and associated funding for this program, but provides sufficient funds for 5 civilian investigators. The 2 clerical positions in this program are continued.

State Police

Positions (-4)

Unallocated (\$99,731) (\$96,477)

Eliminates the Highway Fund share of 4 trooper positions and associated funding for the motor vehicle inspection program.'

Further amend the Bill in Part C by striking out all of the last line and inserting in its place the following: 'TOTAL PART C -- HIGHWAY FUND (\$174,600) (\$196,306)

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of Part D.'

Fiscal Note

This amendment increases the savings which result from changes to the current motor vehicle inspection program from \$124,513 to \$172,930 in 1982 and from \$148,080 to \$183,080 in 1983. This amendment increases the total savings to the Highway Fund in the bill by \$48,417 in 1982 and by \$35,000 in 1983.

Statement of Fact

This amendment deletes the transfer of the motor vehicle station inspection program from the Department of Public Safety to the Division of Motor Vehicles. It also provides that the 9 troopers currently inspecting inspection stations be replaced with 5 civilians to carry out this work in a more cost-effective manner.

Filed by Mrs. Berube of Lewiston. Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.